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6128157 INSPEC Abstract Number: B1999-02-0170J-083
Title: Reliability data for **flip chip** on flex
Author(s): El-Ghor, M.K.; Blythe, D.; Nguyen, P.; Ding, L.; **Buschbom, M.**; Sadaike, S.; Kinoshita, M.; Masumoto, K.; Watanabe, M.
Author Affiliation: Texas Instrum. Inc., Dallas, TX, USA
Conference Title: Proceedings of the Technical Program. NEPCON West '98.
Conference Part vol.3 p.1150-60 vol.3
Publisher: Reed Exhibition, Norwalk, CT, USA
Publication Date: 1998 Country of Publication: USA 3 vol. 1546 pp.
Material Identity Number: XX-1998-02004
Conference Title: Proceedings of NEPCON West 98
Conference Date: 1-5 March 1998 Conference Location: Anaheim, CA, USA
Language: English
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Title: Application of **flip chip** in hard disk drive industry
Author(s): El-Ghor, M.K.; **Buschbom, M.**; Thomas, S.; Moore, T.;
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Author Affiliation: Texas Instrum. Inc., Dallas, TX, USA
Conference Title: SMTA National Symposium, Emerging Technologies.
Proceeding of the Technical Program p.113-17
Publisher: Surface Mount Technol. Assoc, Edina, MN, USA
Publication Date: 1997 Country of Publication: USA 197 pp.
Material Identity Number: XX97-02909
Conference Title: Proceedings of 4th Annual New and Emerging Technologies
for Surface Mounted Electronic Packaging
Conference Date: 20-23 Oct. 1997 Conference Location: Bloomington, MN,
USA
Language: English
Abstract: Inherent advantages of **flip chip** technology for
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04183389 INSPEC Abstract Number: B9208-0170J-007

Title: Factors in implementing MCM solutions for the high performance systems of the 1990s

Author(s): **Buschbom, M.L.**; Calvin, S.E.

Author Affiliation: Texas Instrum., Dallas, TX, USA

Conference Title: Proceedings of the IEEE 1991 Custom Integrated Circuits Conference (Cat. No.91CH2994-2) p.27.1/1-4

Publisher: IEEE, New York, NY, USA

Publication Date: 1991 Country of Publication: USA 756 pp.

ISBN: 0 7803 0015 7

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Conference Sponsor: IEEE

Conference Date: 12-15 May 1991 Conference Location: San Diego, CA, USA

Language: English

Abstract: It is pointed out that the ability to package VLSI and ULSI circuits in a manner that causes minimum degradation to circuit performance and still meet the desired form-factors in the final system is a key challenge for the 1990s. Conventional packaging configurations are giving way to next-generation solutions with increased emphasis on interconnection technology, thermal management, mechanical issues, and board footprint. Processor roadmaps show 4* to 5* increases in operating frequency over the next five years, and commercial optical systems at 300 MHz are followed by lob versions operating at 1 GHz. Electronic system performance driving factors are discussed, and the resulting constraints for semiconductors, interconnection techniques (including tape automated bond and **flip chip**), mechanical design, and thermal approaches are addressed. Additional integration of VLSI and ULSI components in the form of modular systems solutions at the multichip module (MCM) level are being developed and produced at the laboratory level, and results are discussed.

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E.I. Monthly No: EIM9208-042992

Title: Factors in implementing MCM solutions for the high performance systems of the 1990s.

Author: **Buschbom, Milton L.**; Calvin, Sam E.

Corporate Source: Texas Instruments, Dallas, TX, USA

Conference Title: Proceedings of the IEEE 1991 Custom Integrated Circuits Conference

Conference Location: San Diego, CA, USA Conference Date: 19910512

E.I. Conference No.: 16672

Source: Proceedings of the Custom Integrated Circuits Conference. Publ by IEEE, IEEE Service Center, Piscataway, NJ, USA (IEEE cat n 91CH2994-2). p 4p

Publication Year: 1991

CODEN: PCICER ISSN: 0886-5930 ISBN: 0-7803-0015-7

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02497033 INSIDE CONFERENCE ITEM ID: CN026061738
Reliability Data for **Flip Chip** on Flex
El-Ghor, M. K.; Blythe, D.; **Buschbom, M.**; Ding, L.
CONFERENCE: NEPCON West '98-Conference
NEPCON WEST, 1998; NUMBER 3 P: 1150-1160
Reed Exhibition Companies, 1998
LANGUAGE: English DOCUMENT TYPE: Conference Papers and programme
CONFERENCE LOCATION: Anaheim, CA
CONFERENCE DATE: Mar 1998 (199803) (199803)

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02344290 INSIDE CONFERENCE ITEM ID: CN024534302
Application of **Flip Chip** in Hard Disk Drive Industry
El-Ghor, M. K.; **Buschbom, M.**; Thomas, S.; Moore, T.
CONFERENCE: Emerging technologies-Annual symposium; 4th
P: 113-118
Edina, SMTA, 1997
LANGUAGE: English DOCUMENT TYPE: Conference Papers
CONFERENCE SPONSOR: Surface Mount Technology Association
CONFERENCE LOCATION: Bloomington, MN
CONFERENCE DATE: Oct 1997 (199710) (199710)

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00436791 INSIDE CONFERENCE ITEM ID: CN004184890
Thermal Characteristics of QFP and **TAB** Packaged Parts For Board
Applications

Buschbom, M. L.; Coyle, A.

CONFERENCE: Apart from the crowd-Conference

SURFACE MOUNT INTERNATIONAL -PROCEEDINGS-, 1993; VOL 2 P: 785-789

Surface Mount International, 1993

LANGUAGE: English DOCUMENT TYPE: Conference Papers

CONFERENCE SPONSOR: Surface Mount Technology Association

Institute for Interconnecting and Packaging Electronic Circuits

Electronics Industries Association

CONFERENCE LOCATION: San Jose, CA

CONFERENCE DATE: Aug 1993 (199308) (199308)

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E.I. Monthly No: EI9006068169

Title: Multi-chip modules help sidestep costly fine pitch problems.

Author: **Buschbom, Milton L.**

Corporate Source: Semiconductor Group, Dallas, TX, USA

Source: Hybrid Circuit Technology v 7 n 1 Jan 1990 p 6-10

Publication Year: 1990

CODEN: HCTEEY ISSN: 0747-1599

Language: English

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Author Affiliation: Texas Instruments Inc., Dallas, TX, USA

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Publisher: Surface Mount Int, Dallas, TX, USA

Publication Date: 1993 Country of Publication: USA 2 vol. 1031 pp.

Conference Title: Proceedings of Surface Mount International

Conference Date: 31 Aug.-2 Sept. 1993 Conference Location: San Jose, CA, USA

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